



Friday 28th June 2024

Weekly Bulletin

**Worship**

In this week's worship Rev, Sandi brought in a large jug to represent our lives. She filled in with different things: rocks represented our foundations; the leaves represented things that make us happy; the twigs represent things that



make us sad; the flowers represented our friends and family. Whilst the jug looked very full, we discovered there was still room for the water—just like that however busy we are, there is still room for God in our lives.

**Changes to Penalty Notices**



**PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ARE CHANGING !**

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force on 19 August 2024.

**Penalty Notices will be issued for**  
Term time leave: Penalty Notice fines will be issued for term time leave of 5 or more consecutive days.  
10 Sessions of Unauthorised absence in a rolling 10 week period: A Penalty Notices may be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absences in a 10 week period.  
However, we retain the discretion to issue a Penalty Notice before the threshold is met. For example, where parents are deliberately avoiding the national threshold by taking several term time holidays below the above thresholds.

**Per Parent/Per Child**  
Penalty Notice fines will continue to be issued per parent per child. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

**First Offence**  
The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular school attendance the fine will be charged at:  
£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days of the issue, reducing to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.  
(Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

**Second Offence**  
Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second penalty notice to the same parent for the same pupil within 3 years of the first penalty notice, for either term time leave or irregular attendance the second penalty notice will be charged at:  
£160 if paid within 28 days. (Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)

**Third Offence**  
On the third time that an offence is committed within 3 years of the first penalty notice for either a term time leave or irregular attendance a penalty notice will not be issued. The case may proceed to Parental Prosecution under the Single Justice Procedure. If found guilty of the offence of 'Failure to send a child to school' the Magistrates can impose a fine up to £1000 or legal proceedings under Section444 (1a) can include a fine of up to £2500.



OFFICIAL

**Dates**

- 4th-5th July - Y2 at Tattenhall
- Saturday 6th July - Garden Party
- Monday 8th July - Y3 music concert 2pm
- Tuesday 9th July - Rock Steady Concert 9:30am
- Thursday 11th July - Y6 summer show 2pm/6:30pm
- Friday 12th July - Y6 prom
- Monday 15th July - Sports Day (AM)
- Monday 15th July - Y6 Leaver's Service 2pm
- Tuesday 16th July - Y6 Take Over Day
- Friday 19th July—Y6 Leavers' Lunch
- Friday 19th July - Last day of term

**Athletics**

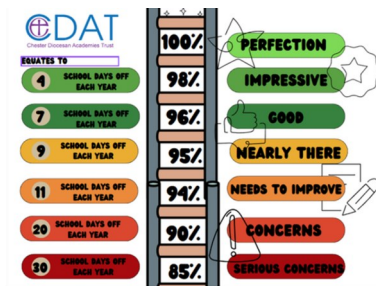
It was the Year3/4 Athletics tournament on Monday and there was a fantastic atmosphere. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the event. Special thanks to the parents for cheering the children on. We came 4th overall and had



some individual gold success. Luke, Aria, and Arlo all claimed the gold in their 100 meters sprint races. Well done everyone!

**Attendance**

This week our whole school attendance is



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**E-Safety**

Internet Matters’ annual Children’s Digital Wellbeing survey shows the increasing use of tech devices is coinciding with growing concerns about screen time eating into traditionally family-orientated time.

Summary of the Report:

- Data shows 63% of parents believe time online negatively impacts their children’s health. Over half of parents are concerned screen time is affecting the child’s sleep.
- An increasing number of children say strangers tried to contact or message them. Almost half of 15-16-year-old girls say this has happened to them, up from 3 in 10 in 2022.
- Two thirds of children (67%) continue to report experiences online that are harmful.
- Overall, children’s digital wellbeing is improving. Children say they are experiencing more of the benefits from their online activities, including feeling more confident, more creative and more empowered.

Here are some ideas on how to strike a balance.

**UK Chief Medical Officers’ advice for parents and carers on Children and Young People’s screen and social media use**

Technology can be a wonderful thing but too much time sitting down or using mobile devices can get in the way of important, healthy activities. Here are some tips for balancing screen use with healthy living.

<p><b>Sleep matters</b> Getting enough, good quality sleep is very important. Leave phones outside the bedroom when it is bedtime.</p> 	<p><b>Sharing sensibly</b> Talk about sharing photos and information online and how photos and words are sometimes manipulated. Parents and carers should never assume that children are happy for their photos to be shared. For everyone – when in doubt, don’t upload!</p> 
<p><b>Education matters</b> Make sure you and your children are aware of, and abide by, their school’s policy on screen time.</p> 	<p><b>Keep moving!</b> Everyone should take a break after a couple of hours sitting or lying down using a screen. It’s good to get up and move about a bit. #sitlessmovemore</p> 
<p><b>Safety when out and about</b> Advise children to put their screens away while crossing the road or doing an activity that needs their full attention.</p> 	<p><b>Talking helps</b> Talk with children about using screens and what they are watching. A change in behaviour can be a sign they are distressed – make sure they know they can always speak to you or another responsible adult if they feel uncomfortable with screen or social media use.</p> 
<p><b>Family time together</b> Screen-free meal times are a good idea – you can enjoy face-to-face conversation, with adults giving their full attention to children.</p> 	<p><b>Use helpful phone features</b> Some devices and platforms have special features – try using these features to keep track of how much time you (and with their permission, your children) spend looking at screens or on social media.</p> 

**TIPS TO CUTDOWN ON SCREEN TIME**

- 1 FOCUS ON WHAT CONTENT CHILDREN ARE WATCHING
- 2 SCHEDULE DEDICATED PLAYTIME WITH CHILDREN
- 3 HAVE AT LEAST ONE DEVICE-FREE FAMILY MEAL PER DAY
- 4 NO SCREEN TIME BEFORE BED
- 5 AVOID SOCIAL MEDIA DURING STUDY HOURS
- 6 ENCOURAGE PHONE CALLS WITH FRIENDS
- 7 PURSUE HOBBIES AND BUILD SKILLS
- 8 DESIGNATE A PLACE FOR DEVICES, SO IT GETS HARD TO REACH THEM IMMEDIATELY
- 9 IT’S GOOD TO GET BORED, SOMETIMES. LET THEM USE THEIR IMAGINATIONS
- 10 ACT AS A ROLE MODEL FOR THE CHILDREN TO FOLLOW



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**6 TOP TIPS FOR PARENTS**

**SCREEN TIME**



**1. RULES**

Agree on a clear set of rules in your home about screen time.



**2. LEAD BY EXAMPLE**

Do as you say! Modelling behaviour is the most powerful way you can influence your child’s behaviour



**3. PHONE FREE ZONE**

Restrict the use of TV’s, mobile phones and computers in the bedroom!



**4. CHARGING PHONES**

Buy an alarm clock for your child’s room and charge mobile phones in your room!



**5. DIGITAL DETOX**

One evening a week have a family digital detox and plan a family activity!



**6. JOIN IN**

Play your child’s favourite computer game and discover the online world together.



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**New Mental Health Service**



**OUR OFFER**

**One to one support**

You will meet one of our team in a space which is confidential, warm and welcoming. This can be our office, your home, school/college or a community space.

**Group sessions**

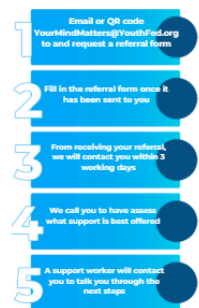
When suitable, the Your Mind Matters project can facilitate group sessions on all aspects surrounding Mental health and Wellbeing.



**How to refer:**



Scan the QR code or e-mail us!



**Mental health support for those aged 8-25 years old**

Now accepting referrals!



**Nick Claffey**  
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07354 270011

**Jenny Birnie**  
MENTAL HEALTH YOUTH WORKER - Jennifer.Birnie@YouthFed.or  
07354 249149



- ✓ Anyone can refer (including self referrals)
- ✓ If you have no transport we will come to you
- ✓ We are here for as long as you need us

0151 351 1971  
<http://www.youthfed.org>



The Reaching Communities Programme



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**Parenting Course**



Care for the Family are hosting a course in Stoke on Trent in November. To book, click on the image above.

*Anxiety levels and struggles with mental health are on the rise in children and young people and unfortunately, access to support is not keeping up with this demand. As mums and dads, seeing the impact this is having on our children can be overwhelming. A Mind of Their Own is packed with simple and effective strategies for you to use at home, helping you to better understand what's going on in your child's head. Together with Katharine Hill and Sim Dendy, we'll explore the science of the mind, and why children act and react the way they do. Featuring interviews with mental health professionals, Dr Rob Waller and Dr Kate Middleton, this event will expand your understanding of the unique pressures and opportunities facing young people today, so you can help your child develop an emotional resiliency that lasts.*



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Parade 12:30pm

1pm Crowning

Preschool Fancy Dress Parade

Beginners Band

2pm Maypole

Full band

3pm Baking Competition winner announced

3:30pm Raffle drawn



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